

Crescent City News

For Holiday Shoppers

We have an especially fine display of High Grade Stationery in Boxes. Together with a choice lot of Perfumes. There are also many other articles suitable for the Christmas season. We are headquarters for Cigars and Smokers' Articles. Big Assortment of Florida Post Card Pictures. Lounds Drug Co. Crescent City.

Grove Hall,

Crescent City's popular hotel, renovated, clean and airy, is again open for the season under the management of Wm. C. Norton. In the midst of the best orange growing section of Florida. Fine boating, fishing and bird shooting. Beautiful views of Crescent Lake from hotel verandas. Handy to steamboat landing. Beautiful view of a month at reasonable rates. Caters to Northern tourists. Write for terms. Wm. C. Norton, Crescent City, Florida.

Southfield Hotel,

Crescent City, Florida. Season 1909-10. Rates \$1.50 per day up. Weekly and monthly rates on application. S. A. Kinnard, Proprietor. Hotel Fronts Lake and Park—Pleasant Rooms—Cuisine Unsurpassed.

M. H. READ, REAL ESTATE.

The Howe property—"Crescent Hill"—is now on the market. Particular attention given to Crescent City property listed with me.

A. I. Spencer, Dentist.

Office at Residence on Prospect Street, Crescent City, Florida.

Crescent City Transfer Co.,

Operates all trains at Crescent City Junction. Night trains by appointment. S. M. Labree, Manager.

St. Johns River by Daylight.

The Beach & Miller Line

Steamer CRESCENT.

Leaves Jacksonville on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 8:00 a. m. for Green Cove, Palatka, Crescent City and principle Way Landings.

Returning, leaves Crescent City on Wednesdays, Fridays and Mondays at 8:00 a. m. Jacksonville wharf foot of Laura Street. Telephone 289. Palatka wharf foot of Lemon Street.

E. T. Clark, Traffic Manager, Jacksonville, Fla.

CRESCENT CITY Barber Shop.

All work done in first-class manner. Try us and you'll come again.

B. B. Harris, Agt.

Notice of Application for Tax Deed. Notice is hereby given that Melrose Manufacturing Co., purchaser of tax certificate No. 113 dated the 1st day of June, A. D. 1909, has filed said certificate in my office, and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Putnam county, Florida, to-wit: Lots 8 and 10, Keady and Moore, section 20, township 9 S., range 20 E., 2d sec. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of G. P. Proudy.

Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1910. Witness my official signature and seal this 25th day of December, A. D. 1909. HENRY HUTCHINSON, Clerk Circuit Court Putnam Co., Fla.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION. Department of the Interior.

U. S. LAND OFFICE AT GAINESVILLE, FLA. November 28th, 1909.

Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth H. Hester, of Melrose, Florida, who, on September 28th, 1909, made Homestead Entry No. 3269, (Serial Number 2661) for W. 1/2 of Sec. 20, Township 9 S., Range 20 E., 2d sec., Tallahassee Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Commutation Proof, to establish claim to the land above described before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Palatka, Florida, on the 5th day of January, 1910.

Claimant names as witnesses: E. H. Conway, of Gainesville, Florida. W. C. Bundy, of Gainesville, Florida. J. M. Hester, of Gainesville, Florida. P. B. Prevatt, of Gainesville, Florida. HENRY A. CLARK, Register.

Personal and Social.

Courtland Middleton of Pomona was a visitor in the city last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Appleby have returned to their home in South Carolina.

Miss Kate Crawford spent the holidays with her mother, Mrs. W. R. Saunders.

The Misses Woodward, who have been spending the holidays here, returned to Jacksonville Monday.

John Wendle Marley and William Gaylord Munn, of Cumberland, Md., are among the latest arrivals at Grove Hall.

Mrs. C. P. Hale of Denver, Colo., arrived on Thursday of last week accompanied by her mother, and the ladies are with Mr. Hale at Grove Hall.

Dr. Warren L. King, wife and family of two children have moved into the Cowles house on Main street, and expect to remain until summer. They come from Quincy, Ill.

The new aristocracy now making such frantic struggles for recognition in Crescent City is the result of a thump originating in the head of a 2 x 4 and wearing a 64 hat. The composition of the band is three parts codfish and one of cod.

Miss Mildred Hill, who has been spending the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Hill, left on Monday for St. Augustine, where she is a pupil in the St. Joseph's convent.

Mr. Hill accompanied his daughter, expecting to return the following day.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Borson took a party of friends to Palatka on their launch Wednesday, returning in the evening.

The guests included Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Dorward, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Cobb of Albany, N. Y., Mrs. W. H. Fuller and Miss White of Live Oak.

John McCormick, senior of the big New York fruit commission house of McCormick, Hubbs & Co., who have extensive grove holdings here, was expected to arrive this week for an extended stay at Grove Hall. The people of Crescent City are always glad to see Mr. McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Preston took a party to Palatka on Thursday night to attend the New Year's dance of the Athletic Club, the trip being made on Mr. Preston's elegant and commodious new launch. It was a cold night, but all in the party were as comfortable as they could have been in their own home. Supper was served on the boat going and lunch on the return.

H. F. Johnson formerly of this place, and who in the later years conducted a wheelwright and blacksmithing shop at Grovesdale, but who was obliged to give up owing to ill health, writes from Wildwood that his health is gradually returning and that he will probably re-engage in business at Coleman, Fla. This will be pleasant news to all Mr. Johnson's old friends.

Hon. and Mrs. Geo. L. Thompson and their son, Richmond, of Kings Park, Long Island, arrived last week at Grove Hall. Mr. Thompson, who is a member of the general assembly of New York was obliged to return to his legislative duties at Albany, but Mrs. Thompson and son will remain some time, hoping for the speedy return to health of the boy, in whose interest the trip is taken.

Mrs. J. L. Burton is recovering slowly from a severe illness.

The special evangelistic services now being conducted at the Presbyterian church by Rev. Dr. C. L. Work, pastor evangelist of the Florida Presbytery, are attracting large audiences nightly and are bound to result in a more active spiritual life in the place. Dr. Work will probably continue the meetings through the coming week. He is an earnest and interesting preacher.

The advantages of Crescent City as a section for the growing of citrus fruits was never more thoroughly demonstrated than during the cold of last week. At points more than 100 miles south the mercury went three and four degrees lower than at this place, and at many places south there is no question of the destruction of the fruit crop. Here very many of the growers have been unable to determine the extent of damage, a large part of the fruit showing no signs of injury.

The Southfield Bible Conference (now called the Florida Bible Conference) will hold its sessions in the auditorium this year from February 26 to March 6th, inclusive. The speakers thus far engaged are Rev. Dr. C. L. Scofield, of Dallas, Texas, editor of the new Scofield Reference Bible, and Rev. L. S. Chaffer, president-secretary of the association. There will also be gospel singers. Wm. C. Norton of this place is one of the trustees of the association, from whom further particulars may be had.

Hon. W. H. Cook of Pomona spent a portion of Sunday in town where he was the guest at dinner of his niece, Mrs. W. M. Miller. Mr. Cook is a large grove operator at Pomona, and besides his own property has the care of much other grove property. He reports that groves not fired in his section have unquestionably lost their fruit. In his own grove he had made preparations for just such an emergency as the late freezing weather by piling wood in the center space for each four trees and having these piles ready to apply the match on the first indication that the cold was passing the danger mark. He had plenty of wood in reserve. The fires were started on Wednesday night and all through that and the following night were kept going. Mr. Cook states that as a result he has saved all of the 3000 boxes remaining on the trees in his grove.

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Experts from Florida, where orchards are swarming with the white fly, have been investigating the work of extermination and have returned home to wage the war upon the pest in their orchards.

Citrus fruit growers will be glad to know that the pest, which is regarded as the most dangerous than all the others combined, has been successfully exterminated.—Pacific Fruit World.

The Cold Hurt Some.

The cold of last Wednesday and Thursday nights wrought considerable damage to the orange industry in Crescent City and its environs. The damage was confined to the fruit on the trees, the trees themselves being uninjured. Just how serious was the loss to the ungarthered crop, will require a few days to tell. In some localities all hope of saving any has been abandoned. In other parts, more protected, the best judges hold to the view that considerable fruit remains unharmed.

The Crescent City crop this year has been estimated at 200,000 boxes. Of this amount probably two-thirds had been forwarded.

The mercury on Wednesday night went to 22 degrees along the ridge part of town. In some outlying sections of the place it is reported as low as 20.

On Thursday night the temperature went to 28, with a freezing temperature from 11 p. m. to 6 a. m. That is a long period of freezing weather for this section, and it was on this night that the greater damage was sustained. Much of the fruit came through the greater cold of Wednesday night unharmed, only to receive a knock-out blow by the less severe cold of the following night.

In many places the oranges, if frosted at all, were so little damaged that experts are unable to detect. They know that other fruit, not a great distance away, had ice in it for they saw the ice, and that the balance should be damaged if they are not. All agree that by the middle of next week the status of these ice-croaked oranges can be determined. Many of the most intelligent growers are of the opinion that a goodly percentage of the crop will be found marketable.

A large part of the grapefruit is thought to be all right. Tangerines are quickest to show damage, as the water shows between the sections where they have been frosted. The editor of the News personally saw many tangerines that had not been frosted at all, others were slightly damaged, and many badly. Natural protection due to location had to do in preserving much of the fruit.

David Daves, whose fine grove is in the north end, says most of his fruit was ruined. He had shipped but little, if any.

L. A. Hurlbut had shipped about half the crop on his 30-acre grove. He inclines to the opinion that much of it was uninjured.

E. H. Williams has shipped the fruit from 35 of his 40 acres of bearing trees. He is satisfied that considerable of the fruit on the trees will show up all right. McCormick, Hubbs & Co's groves had about 12,000 boxes ungarthered. This firm is a heavy loser.

J. L. Burton thinks the bulk of his 1,000 ungarthered boxes are gone.

C. P. Hale's grove was equipped with stoves between the trees, and these were fired well the first night but neglected somewhat the second. It is believed that Mr. Hale has saved the major part of his crop.

Mr. Chase of Chase & Co. made an inspection of the firm's grove property here on Friday, and ordered suspension of shipments until he could with certainty determine the condition of the fruit. He inclines to the opinion that much of it is damaged.

Many growers are fortunate in that they had already shipped or sold all, or the bulk of their crops. Others, many of whom could ill afford to lose, had shipped little. The losses felt unequally. To him that had not, was taken away even that which he had.

But even the heaviest losers are philosophical. They are not whining.

The News feels sure that some of the fruit will yet be found firm, though there is no question but that the bulk of the crop now on the trees was damaged.

LAKE COMO.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Jenkins of Montclair, N. J., are again occupying their cosy home for the season. They were accompanied by Mrs. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Ballard of Syracuse, N. Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Sullivan. They are housekeeping in the Ballard cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Harper of Georgetown were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Sanford, over the holidays.

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Scientific Spanking

exists in punishment only when a child is actually bad. Some mothers think that all crying is badness, it is not. When your baby cries, look for plus or some external cause, if you can't find them give the baby White's Cream Vermifuge as the chances are it is suffering from worms which keep it hungry and cry all the time. Pleasant to take—sure in its action. Price 25 cents. Sold by Ackerman-Stewart Drug Co., and J. H. Haughton.

IDENTIFIED.

The Bank Teller Was Silenced and Paid the Money.

A lady with a severe and determined looking face and in whose eyes there was a gleam of triumph entered a bank and presented a check to the paying teller.

"I'm very sorry to trouble you, madam," said the bank teller politely, "but you'll have to be identified." He pushed the check across the marble slab toward her as he spoke.

"Identified?" repeated the lady. "What does that mean? Isn't the check good?"

The bank man did not smile, for this was the thirty-seventh lady who had asked this question that day.

"I have no doubt it is," he said, "but I don't know you. Do you know anybody in the bank?"

"Why, I'm Mrs. Weatherley!" exclaimed the lady. "Didn't you see my name on the check?"

"I'll show you who I am."

The teller shook his head wearily.

"You must be identified," he insisted. "You must bring somebody who knows you." The lady drew herself up.

"That check," she said with dignity, "was given me by my husband. There's his name on it. Do you know him?"

"I do," said the teller, "but I don't know you."

"Then," said the lady, "I'll show you who I am. My husband is a tall man with reddish hair. His face is smooth shaven. He has a mole on one cheek and looks something like a gorilla, some people say, but I don't think so. When he talks he twists his mouth to one side, and one of his front teeth is missing. He wears a No. 15 collar, a No. 6 shoe and won't keep his coat buttoned. He's the hardest man to get money out of you ever saw. It took me three days to get this check." The banker waved his hand.

"I guess it's all right," he said. "Put your name right there—no, on the back, not the face."—Galveston News.

The Meanest Man in Town